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NOTES:

RE: FRANK J. DOYLE TRANSFORMER SITE
LEONARD, FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS
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PURSUANT TO THE FY'98 PA/SI SCOPE OF WORK, THE TNRCC IS NOTIFYING EPA OF THE POTENTIAL OF IMMINENT DANGER TO RESIDENTS OF LEONARD WHO MAY BE EXPOSED TO ELEVATED CONCENTRATIONS OF PCB (THE HIGHEST OFF-PROPERTY CONCENTRATION OF 4,100 MG/KG) IN PUBLICLY accessible AREAS NEAR THE ABOVE REFERENCE SITE. THE PCB CONCENTRATIONS ARE SIGNIFICANTLY ABOVE THE RECOMMENDED TSCA CLEANUP STANDARD OF 10 MG/KG FOR UNRESTRICTED AREAS. THE PCB CONCENTRATIONS HAVE BEEN MEASURED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO A RESIDENCE, A DAY CARE CENTER, AND OTHER AREAS OF LIKELY PUBLIC CONTACT (E.G. STUDENTS WALKING TO LEONARD HIGH SCHOOL). THE PCB CONCENTRATIONS WERE FOUND DURING A SAMPLING VISIT CONDUCTED AT THE ABOVE REFERENCED SITE DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 12-15, 1998.

SOIL SAMPLING WAS CONDUCTED BY THE TNRCC FOR EPA BOTH ON-SITE AND OFF-SITE THE FRANK J. DOYLE TRANSFORMER SITE LOCATED AT 305 EAST COTTONWOOD STREET IN NORTHEAST LEONARD (SEE MAP). THE SITE IS AN ACTIVE REGISTERED SALVAGE YARD THAT RECEIVES AND PROCESSES USED POWER TRANSMISSION TRANSFORMERS FOR RECOVERABLE METALS. THE SITE IS BORDERED TO THE NORTH BY A RESIDENTIAL AREA, TO THE EAST BY THE LEONARD HIGH SCHOOL FACILITY, TO THE SOUTH BY AN ALLEYWAY AND TWO MORE RESIDENCES, AND ALONG THE WESTERN BOUNDARY BY THE OWNER'S RESIDENCE.

THE TNRCC HAS ADVISED JOHN VILLANACCI, Ph.D., TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND A HEALTH CONSULT IS BEING PREPARED. ATTACHED IS A RISK REVIEW PREPARED BY THE TNRCC TOXICOLOGY AND RISK ASSESSMENT SECTION.

THE TNRCC REQUESTS THE EPA ERB ASSESSMENT AND DECLARATION OF EPA'S INTENTION TO RESPOND TO THIS INCIDENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IN ADDITION, PLEASE ADVISE IF EPA/ATSDR WILL NOTIFY THE RESIDENTS OR IF TNRCC SHOULD NOTIFY AND/OR PERFORM CONFIRMATION SAMPLING OF THE WELL.

PLEASE CONTACT STENNIE MEADOURS, WES NEWBERRY (512/239-2512), OR ALLAN SEILS (512/239-2514), OR FAX YOUR RESPONSE.

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